

REMARKS

Claims 4-6, 8-12, and 16-21 and 23-25 are pending. Claims 4, 6, 11, and 16 are in independent form.

In the action mailed December 11, 2006, claim 12 was objected to as being improper for failing to limit independent claim 11. In particular, the objection is understood to contend that every fluorination of a surface (as recited in claim 11) inherently involves a deposition of fluorine atoms or fluorine containing groups (as recited in claim 12).

Applicant respectfully disagrees. For example, attention is respectfully directed to para. [0028] and the discussion of the consequences of plasma fluorination therein. As can be seen, the fluorination of a surface can be accomplished through chemical modification of the surface. Such a chemical modification does not inherently involve the deposition of fluorine atoms or fluorine containing groups.

Accordingly, applicant asks that the objection to claim 12 be withdrawn.

Claim 20 was objected to as including a typographical informality. Claim 20 has been amended to address the Examiner's concerns.

Claims 6, 8, and 25 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as indefinite. In particular, the rejection contends that the scope of the claims is not discernable to those of ordinary skill since the variables x, y, z, and n are not defined by the claim or by the specification.

Applicant respectfully disagrees. The variables x, y, z, and n are not defined in the specification or claims because the number of unit repetitions designated by those variables is, in fact, undefined. The use of undefined variables to represent undefined numbers of repetitions of an element is in common usage both in chemistry and in other arts. The scopes of claims 6, 8, and 25 are thus discernable to one of ordinary skill.

The rejections of claims 6, 8, and 25 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, are thus improper. Accordingly, Applicant asks that these rejections be withdrawn.

Claims 11 and 12 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as indefinite for referring to "the bulk" and "the surface" of a fluoropolymer. In particular, the rejection contends that a "fluoropolymer is a molecule and therefore does not have a surface or a bulk."

Applicant respectfully disagrees. In this regard, it is in common usage to use terms such as "polymer" to refer to materials composed of polymer molecules. For example, submitted herewith as Appendix A is a copy of the entry for the term "polymer" from the Oxford English Dictionary Online which

clearly sets forth that the term "polymer" can be used to refer to materials composed of polymer molecules, in addition to the molecules themselves.

As another example, submitted herewith as Appendix B is a copy of the first 30 of 553 hits of a search for the phrase "the surface of the polymer." The search was conducted on Google Books on March 1, 2007 and is available at

[http://books.google.com/books?q=%22the+surface+of+the+polymer%22](http://books.google.com/books?q=%22the+surface+of+the+polymer%22&btnG=Search+Books&as_brr=0)

http://books.google.com/books?q=%22the+surface+of+the+polymer%22&btnG=Search+Books&as_brr=0. Please note that the 28th hit in the middle of page 4 is a book entitled "Polymer Surfaces, Interfaces, and Thin Films." Thus, this provides evidence that one of ordinary skill would understand polymers to have surfaces.

As yet another example, submitted herewith as Appendix C is a copy of the first 30 of 231 hits of a search for the phrase "the bulk of the polymer." The search was conducted on Google Books on March 1, 2007 and is available at

[http://books.google.com/books?q=%22the+bulk+of+the+polymer%22&bt](http://books.google.com/books?q=%22the+bulk+of+the+polymer%22&btnG=Search+Books&as_brr=0)

[nG=Search+Books&as_brr=0](http://books.google.com/books?q=%22the+bulk+of+the+polymer%22&btnG=Search+Books&as_brr=0). Thus, it is clear that one of ordinary skill would understand polymers to have a bulk.

Accordingly, the meaning of references to "the bulk" and "the surface" of a polymer is clearly discernable to those of ordinary skill. The rejections of claims 11 and 12 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, are thus improper. Accordingly, Applicant asks that these rejections be withdrawn.

Claim 21 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as indefinite for reciting that a vapor deposited layer is "largely independent" of the composition and surface properties of the bulk. In particular, the rejection contends that the specification does not provide a standard for ascertaining the requisite degree of independence between a vapor deposited layer and the composition and surface properties of the bulk.

Applicant respectfully disagrees. Attention is respectfully directed to para. [0038] which contrasts the influence of composition and surface properties on depositions formed by chemical vapor deposition (CVD) and atomic layer deposition (ALD). In particular, the specification describes that deposition under most CVD conditions occurs largely independent of the composition or surface properties of an underlying substrate, whereas deposition under ALD might be influenced by such factors.

Since those of ordinary skill would understand the differences between CVD and ALD, the scope of claim 21 is discernable to those of ordinary skill. The rejection of claim 21 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, is thus improper. Accordingly, Applicant asks that this rejection be withdrawn.

Claim 22 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as indefinite for reciting that a perfluorinated copolymer is "perfluorinated to an extent characteristic of the pellicle film having been fluorinated after polymerization to eliminate hydrogen atoms from the polymer backbone in the treated surface." In particular, the rejection contends that perfluorinated polymers are, by definition, ones "in which all the hydrogens have been replaced with fluorine."

Please note that there is no inconsistency between the definition espoused by the rejection and the claim language. The rejection thus does not contend that applicant is using the term "perfluorinate" in a way that is inconsistent with the definition espoused by the Examiner. Instead, the rejection contends that applicant is using the term "perfluorinate" in a way that is consistent with the definition espoused by the Examiner.

Applicant respectfully submits that this does not provide any basis for a rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph. In particular, since there is no inconsistency between Applicant's usage of the term "perfluorinate" and the definition espoused by the Examiner, the meaning of the term is clearly discernable to those of ordinary skill.

The rejection of claim 22 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, is thus improper. Accordingly, Applicant asks that this rejection be withdrawn.

In the action mailed December 11, 2006, claims 22 and 25 were indicated as being allowable over the references of record. Applicant acknowledges this indication with appreciation. In response thereto, claim 16 has been amended to recite subject matter drawn from former claim 22. Claim 25 has been placed in independent form. Accordingly, claims 16-25 are believed to be allowable.

Further, claim 4 has been amended to recite subject matter related to that recited in claim 22, with the exception that the "treated surface" of claim 22 is has been changed to the "fluorinated surface" recited in claim 4. Accordingly, claims 4-5 and 9-10 are believed to be allowable.

Claim 6 has been amended to delete reference to "a PVDF." Accordingly, claims 6 and 8 are believed to be allowable on the same basis as claim 25.

Claim 11 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as anticipated by, or in the alternative, under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as obvious over U.S. Patent No. 5,958,524 to Dehennau et al. (hereinafter "Dehennau"). Claim 11 has been amended to recite subject matter drawn from former claim 19, which was rejected on the same basis.

The rejection of former claim 19 contended that, in the context of a product-by-process claim, the burden was on applicants to demonstrate that a claimed product differs from that shown in the prior art.

While this may be true, these claims recite a treated surface that comprises a molecular layer that includes the reaction product of a monolayer of a first chemisorbed species and a second species. Such a molecular layer is a structural limitation, rather than a process limitation. Moreover, based on Dehennau's disclosed processes (e.g., fluorination by exposure to gaseous fluorine followed by "energetic surface oxidation"), it is clear that Dehennau neither describes nor suggests a treated surface that comprises such a molecular layer. This is also believed to be true of the disclosures cited at col. 3, line 56, which are submitted herewith.

Accordingly, claims 11, 12, and new claim 26 are believed to be allowable. Applicant thus requests that the rejections of claims 11 and 12 be withdrawn.

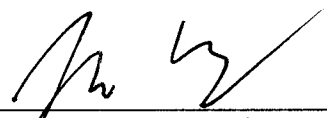
It is believed that all of the pending claims have been addressed. However, the absence of a reply to a specific rejection, issue or comment does not signify agreement with or concession of that rejection, issue or comment. In addition, because the arguments made above may not be exhaustive, there may be reasons for patentability of any or all pending claims (or other claims) that have not been expressed. Finally,

nothing in this paper should be construed as an intent to concede any issue with regard to any claim, except as specifically stated in this paper, and the amendment of any claim does not necessarily signify concession of unpatentability of the claim prior to its amendment.

Applicant asks that all claims be allowed. Please apply the excess claims fee, along with any other charges or credits, to Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

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Brit. /ˈpɒlɪmə/, *U.S.* /ˈpɑləmə/ [*< POLY- comb. form + -MER comb. form*², after *POLYMERIC adj.*¹ Cf. ancient Greek πολυμερής consisting of many parts. Cf. also French *polymère* (1876 as noun; earlier as adjective in sense ‘polymeric’ (1847 in chemistry)). Cf. earlier *POLYMERIC adj.*¹, *POLYMERIDE n.*, *POLYMERISM n.*¹, and *POLYMERIZE v.* Cf. also *ISOMER n.*, *METAMER n.*¹]

1. Originally: a compound whose formula is an exact multiple of that of another compound, being composed of the same elements in the same proportions. Now: a compound with a molecular structure in which a (usually large) number of similar polyatomic units are bonded together; *spec.* any of the mainly synthetic organic compounds of this kind which form plastics, resins, etc.

The repeating units often correspond to molecules of a single compound, but polymers may also result from combination of two or more different constituents; in either case, linking of the component units may be accompanied by the elimination of small molecules, so that the formula and molecular weight of the polymer are unlikely to be exact multiples of those of a constituent monomer. In some contexts the use of the term *polymer* is restricted to cases where the number of units in the molecular structure is large.

high, ladder, stereoblock polymer: see the first element.

1866 H. E. ROSCOE *Lessons Elem. Chem.* xxxv. 314 Cyanuric Acid... This polymer of cyanic acid is a solid crystalline substance formed on heating urea. **1866-7** *Proc. Royal Soc.* **15** 135 As these hydrocarbons..differ by C₂H₄, it appears to me almost certain that they are polymers of the hydrocarbons of the acetylene series. **1909** *Science* 26 Feb. 360/2 Bakelite is a polymer of an oxybenzoyl-alcohol-methylene-glycol-anhydride. **1929** W. H. CAROTHERS in *Jrnl. Amer. Chem. Soc.* **51** 2548 Whatever the term polymer may mean now, it does not mean precisely what Berzelius intended, and the conditions which he set up are not sufficient to define it. **1929** W. H. CAROTHERS in *Jrnl. Amer. Chem. Soc.* **51** 2549 Two types of polymers may be distinguished... (1) Addition or A polymers. The molecular formula of the monomer is identical with that of

the structural unit... (2) Condensation or C polymers: the molecular formula of the monomer differs from that of the structural unit. **1935** C. ELLIS *Chem. Synthetic Resins* I. iv. 53 In a condensation reaction, the polymer is no longer a multiple of the monomer as in the case of the addition polymer. **1974** D. M. ADAMS *Inorg. Solids* vii. 239 The most stable polymers for other metals are $M_6O_{19}^{8-}$ (M = Nb, Ta), $Mo_7O_{24}^{6-}$, $Mo_8O_{26}^{4-}$ and $HW_6O_{21}^{5-}$. **1978** *Prospects for Polymers* (Shell Internat. Petroleum Co.) 1 Not all polymers are man-made: wool, rubber, cotton and silk are examples of natural polymers. **1982** G. C. HILL & J. S. HOLMAN *Chem. in Context* 169/2 'Orlon' is a polymer of propenenitrile alone; 'Acrilan' and 'Courtelle' are copolymers, having small amounts of chloroethene (vinyl chloride) copolymerized with the propenenitrile. **1996** *Daily Tel.* 8 Jan. 18/4 When it comes to polymers, the genetic molecule DNA is the nonpareil.

2. As a mass noun: material composed of a high polymer; polymeric material.

1946 *Nature* 5 Oct. 476/2 A high degree of unshrinkability is obtained with 10 per cent of polymer within the fibres. **1992** *Guns Illustr.* (ed. 24) 90/1 The barrel is also entirely sheathed in polymer, with flat sides and a vented rib on top. **1995** *Economist* 30 Sept. 137/3 Once the unpolymerised precursor had been washed away, the pattern remained in miniature as a series of blobs of polymer. **1997** *New Scientist* 15 Nov. 7/2 The thin layer of polymer that covers the clear surface of a CD, DVD or CD-ROM.

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General *attrib.*

polymer chain *n.*

1939 *Proc. Royal Soc. A.* **170** 306 The mechanism of initiation of *polymer chains by catalysis has been discussed. **1999** P. W. GRUBB *Patents for Chemicals* (ed. 3) xi. 203 The nature of the end-groups on a polymer chain may modify the properties of the polymer very considerably.

polymer science *n.*

[1945 *Sci. Monthly* Jan. 72/1 Research workers who..are interested and qualified in high-polymer science.] 1948 *Science* 14 May 518/2 The Alfrey book..is thus a significant advance in the field of *polymer science. 2001 R. W. CAHN *Coming of Materials Sci.* viii. 310 The important domain of polymer chemistry has become, by degrees, a branch of science almost wholly divorced from the rest of polymer science.

polymer solution *n.*

1935 *Proc. Royal Soc. A.* 148 80 This suggests poly-dispersity of the intermediate *polymer solutions. 1996 *Swimming Times* May 29/2 Glucose polymer solutions may have a similar osmolality to a 4% carbohydrate drink but they will empty more slowly from the stomach.

polymer chemist *n.* an expert in or student of polymer chemistry.

1948 *Science* 19 Nov. 545/2 In recent years *polymer chemists have shown how it is possible to synthesize compounds of high molecular weight..from known compounds (monomers) of low molecular weight. 1997 *New Scientist* 15 Nov. 75/1 (*adv.*) A polymer chemist..with research experience in the analysis and derivatisation of polysaccharides.

polymer chemistry *n.* the branch of chemistry concerned with the preparation and properties of polymers.

1945 *Science* 2 Feb. 113/2 A separate division of *polymer chemistry has been established under the direction of Dr. Herman F. Mark, professor of organic chemistry. 1953 *Endeavour* Apr. 92/1 In terms of polymer-chemistry concepts, the molecular shape is changed by the electrostatic field. 1992 D. I. GOLDBERG *U.S. Man-made Fiber Industry* ii. 13 Progress in polymer chemistry led to synthetic fibers with price-performance properties often far superior to those of natural and cellulosic fibers.

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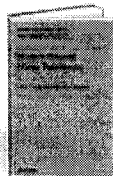
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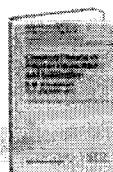
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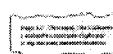
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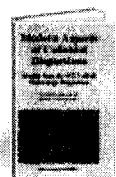


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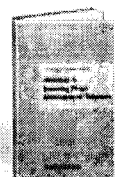


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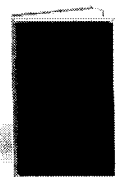


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This can be assigned to a shielding effect of the carbon species at **the surface of the polymer**, as detected with the other spectroscopic techniques. ...

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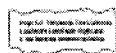


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(1) Pigments This involves reflecting the damaging light from **the surface of the polymer** through: (a) coating the surface, eg paint or metallising; ...

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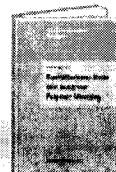


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The most important factor in determining the droplet configuration is usually the preferred alignment of the nematic at **the surface of the polymer** binder. ...

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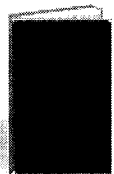
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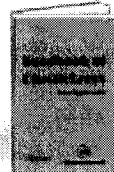
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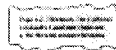
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... a good opportunity to use esr measurements to examine the effects of annealing on the motion of chain ends on the surface of **the bulk of the polymer**. ...

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... took into account diffusion from both **the bulk of the polymer** film deposited on the extruder barrel and from the bulk of the rolling pool of melt formed ...

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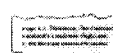


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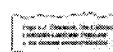


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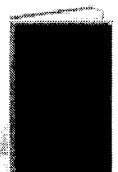
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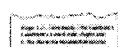
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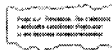


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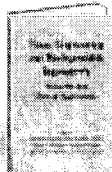
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